

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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OPENING OF NEW PETROL DIESEL PUMPS IN WEST BENGAL

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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new diesel/petrol pumps proposed to be set up during the current financial year in West Bengal, district-wise;
- (b) the number of gas agencies functioning in West Bengal at present, district-wise; and
- (c) the number of cooking gas agencies proposed to be set up in West Bengal during the current financial year, district-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a)&(c) During the current financial year i.e., 2004-05, the four public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs), viz., Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and IBP Co. Limited plan to set up 111 retail outlet dealerships (petrol / diesel pumps) and 59 LPG distributorships (cooking gas agencies) in different districts in the State of West Bengal. (b) As on 31.1.2005, there are 435 LPG distributorships of these OMCs operating in various districts in the State of West Bengal.